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## Local and General.

The warm weather this week has spoiled the skating.

"Along the Kennebec," at the opera house, Lacombe, November 24.

Aunger & Shute, dental parlors, upstairs over Morris & Taylor's hardware store.

Lowney's Chocolates fresh from the factory just opened at The Skinner Drug Co.

Professor Edwards lectured on "Municipal Engineering" in the town hall last Friday evening.

H. G. Long, for the past year manager of the telephone exchange at this place, has been transferred to Wetaskiwin.

The Nanton Street "Astonisher" now wants mayor and councillors elected by acclamation instead of by contest. What a change of heart since this time last year! But the citizens need feel no alarm, the change of heart isn't permanent.

No class of plays seem to have a firmer hold on the public than good rustic plays, and none seem to prosper like those which have a New England background for a foundation on which the story is built. We need look no better proof than "The Old Homestead" or "The County Fair" and in the same class as these will be presented at the Opera house, Lacombe, on Nov. 24, the latest success, "Along the Kennebec," which, while using the New England village and its people for plot and story, is entirely different in theme. The play is the story of a wife, the fruit of an ill-favored marriage, a heartless father, a daughter driven away from home and a child's battle with a (sometimes) cruel world. The company carry the scenic production complete, a good band and orchestra, and a good bright sparkling comedy with fine music is promised in plenty.

## Diamond Rings

I have a nice assortment of Diamond Rings from \$10 to \$175. Perfect color and free from all flaws. My guarantee of quality goes with every diamond sold.

Call and see them.

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Graduate Optician  
and Watchmaker.  
Barnett Ave. - Lacombe  
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## Will Sell Lacombe Creamery.

At a meeting of the shareholders held in Mobley's Hall on the 13th inst to consider the past and future of the Lacombe Butter and Cheese Manufacturing Association it was decided to sell the creamery.

The most serious problem was a financial one. A few individuals are and have been carrying the debt of the association which is considerable comparatively, and latterly became to these parties a personal liability, none others being willing to take up the white man's burden. The above decision was arrived at followed by resolutions, empowering the directors with full authority to deal with any incumbrance on the property sell and transfer the creamery, plant and premises.

The president in dealing with the financial condition of the Association and its operations made mention of the fact of the large amounts of money brought into the district which steadily increased from its commencement till in the season of '06 over \$12,000 was distributed among the farmers. For the past season the situation was perplexing: the cows had never done so well and the price of butter never nearly so good. He had made inquiry and found that each of the general stores were taking in as much butter as the creamery. If the farmers had brought their cream to the creamery instead of their butter to the merchants, the creamery would have had one of its most prosperous seasons. The cost of manufacture would not only have been reduced but there would have been a generous surplus to have applied on the debt which would have been satisfactory to the management and encouraging for the future.

There are and always have been quite a number of Farmers who have stood loyally with the creamery, but unfortunately a much larger number draw the line at delivering their cream to the creamery. This was one of the chief difficulties, collecting cream, which without question, can be done more efficiently and at much less expense by the private owned and operated creamery than by an association.

The meeting however took this view and hence the unanimity in agreeing to sell with the hopes that it would be continued as a private concern.

J. J. GREGORY.

## Stock Growers' Meeting.

The Central Alberta Stockgrowers' Association will hold their regular public fall meeting on the afternoon and evening of November 25th, at Red Deer, when topics of general interest to farmers and stockgrowers in all parts of the West will be discussed. The system of Marketing Canadian Beef and kindred products is of general public interest. Farmers, merchants, and all others interested in the development of this industry

should not fail to attend this discussion.

A specially prepared program on which is included some of the best thinking men in the industry will be presented. The speakers will include: C. B. Phillips of Aker, W. R. Duncan Robinson of Jumping Point, R. G. Matthews of Macleod, E. G. Palmer of Edmonton, T. M. Morgan of Medicine Hat, on chilled meat. Joshua Fletcher, president of A. F. A., and E. J. Frean, secretary of A. F. A., on general topics. Also representatives of the provincial and Dominion Governments.

## Institute Meeting.

An institute meeting in connection with the Lacombe Agricultural Society will be held in Mobley's Hall at 2:30 p. m. Saturday, November 28, 1908.

Mr. Hutton, manager of the Experimental Farm at Lacombe will give a review of the past year's work of the Farm. Other speakers will discuss various topics of agricultural interest.

A good attendance is requested.  
N. E. CARRUTHERS,  
Secy.-Treas.

"Along the Kennebec," a New England comedy, comes to Lacombe on November 24. The piece is now in its fourth successful season and has met with approval wherever presented, and has been used as a text by two ministers in their sermons. The play is full of comedy bits. It is comedy that a girl or woman can laugh at and not blush at the same time. The burlesque duel scene in the third act between Zeke Dasher and Bunlick Tubbs is said to be one scream from start to finish and five other comedy characters keep the audience in a happy frame of mind. All special scenery is carried for the production, and it is said to be strictly a scenic production from first act to last. Some pleasing singing and character

specialties are introduced during the action of the piece, and "Along the Kennebec" sends its audience home feeling pleased and satisfied that "Along the Kennebec" has been in town. A band and orchestra has been added this season to aid in making the production more popular than ever. See the street parade at noon on day of show.

George Chapel, a young Englishman who has been working on the roads, working for farmers and others, for several months past, died Sunday night from pneumonia and complications. He had no relatives in this country, and being without money the town took charge of the funeral. Word has been sent to his relatives in England.

The Swan Lake holocaust resulted in an investigation being made into the quality of coal oil that is being sold to western Canada consumers. Some of the oil put out by a Winnipeg wholesale firm is pronounced "as dangerous as dynamite." The oil sold throughout Alberta may not be of the ultra-dangerous variety, but some of it is most unsatisfactory as an illuminant.

A rumor was afloat to the effect that George Chapel died without medical attendance. Several members of the town so panic say there is no truth in the report, but that he was attended by one of Lacombe's regular physicians.

## Annual Meeting of the Lacombe Agricultural Society.

The annual meeting of the Lacombe Agricultural Society will be held in Mobley's hall on Saturday, December 5th, at 2:30 p. m. As this has been a year of much business and large expenditure it is requested that all members be present at the annual meeting.

N. E. CARRUTHERS,  
Secy.-Treas.

## UNION BANK OF CANADA

A Savings Account in the Union Bank of Canada will give you a comfortable feeling of security and make it easier to keep on saving.

\$1.00 starts an account, and deposits of \$1.00 and upwards are received. Interest at the highest current rate is paid 4 times a year.

LACOMBE BRANCH: W. F. GRAHAM, Manager.

## Money to Loan at 8 per cent.

Money to loan on first class farm security at 8 per cent. School debentures purchased. For further particulars apply to the

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Knitted Shirts--A splendid work shirt, warm and very serviceable. Fast colors. Our price.....90c

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Men's Heavy Duck Coats--Made of 8 oz. brown duck and lined with heavy wool Mackinaw lined, all sizes.....\$3.50

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Rich, red blood. That is what pale, nervous, weak people need. Red blood to form new cells and tissues, to invigorate the nerves, to strengthen the heart, to give energy and vigor to the organs of the body.

The elements from which nature forms rich, red blood are found in condensed, and easily assimilated form in Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food and because of its wonderful blood-building qualities this great restorative has become world famous.

There is no guesswork, no experimenting, with this treatment. Every dose is bound to do you a certain amount of good.

Mrs. John Boutlier, 163 Morris street, Halifax, N. S., writes: "My daughter was very weak and nervous and had severe headaches as a result of confinement at school. Dr. Chase's Nerve Food has fully restored her health."

The portrait and signature of A. W. Chase, M. D., the famous Receipt Book author, are on every box of the medicine. 50 cents at all dealers or Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food, Dr. A. W. Chase, N. S., Toronto.

## Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food

An Ignorant Teacher. Teacher—Who was Peter the Great? Pupil—I don't know who Peter the Great was, I'm not coming to school to you any more.—New York Life.

All mothers can put away anxiety regarding their suffering children when they have Mother Graves' Worm Expeller to give relief. Its effects are sure and healing.

Confucius had just met William Penn at one of Cleopatra's 5 o'clock teas.

"William Penn?" he said. "William Penn?" Penn said to him. "I have heard of you, sir."

"Yes," said Penn, with a pleased smile, "I am the man who was mightier than the sword."

"Ah, yes," said Confucius. "You are also the man who invented sleep, are you not?"

"No," said Penn, "I founded Philadelphia."

"Oh, yes," said Confucius. "I knew it was something of that kind."—Success Magazine.

De Good Book says you must love your enemies, but if you don't love time or war, in the world would you be?

De weather will soon be so cold you will be able to hear de heathen hollerin' for close.—Atlanta Constitution.

"I had to sell my auto, but I haven't missed it yet."

"How's that?"

"You can get most of the sensation by cleaning rugs."—Louisville Courier Journal.

## Fine Care Fine Hair

It's fine care that makes fine hair! Use Ayer's Hair Vigor, new improved formula, systematically, conscientiously, and you will get results. We know it stops falling hair, cures dandruff, and is a most elegant dressing. Entirely new. New bottle. New contents.

Does not change the color of the hair. Shows it with each brush stroke. It is the one great medicine.

Ayer's Hair Vigor, as now made from our new improved formula, is the latest, most scientific, and in every way the very best hair preparation ever placed upon the market. For falling hair and dandruff it is the one great medicine.

THE Very Best thing for you to do when you read this is to write for our new catalog and paper knife (free).

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SPECIAL TO GRAIN SHIPPERS. It takes years to learn the best methods of handling grain. We have had thirty years' experience in handling grain in this country, have a branch office at Fort William and close business connections at all grain elevators. Ship your grain through us for prompt returns and good service. References, United States of Canada.

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All Women should assist Nature at those times when the system is upset, the nervous tone low and a feeling of depression or languor is experienced. The only professional we can rely on is the statement that no medicine gives such prompt relief as

Beecham's Pills. Hold Everywhere. In boxes 50 cents.

## THE SCOURING RUSH.

A Queer Plant That Can Be Changed into a Mineral.

The scouring rush, Equisetum hiemale, is an interesting plant which has been put to practical use. It is old times its hollow, dithy stems were in great repute for kitchen cleaning purposes. The stems are hollow and are easily separated at the joints. If one would satisfy himself as to the peculiar property that first suggested the use of this plant for scouring purposes, he only has to draw a joint across the edge of his teeth to find it like a file.

A very pretty chemical experiment has frequently been made with the rush. If one takes a small vial of nitric acid into which any ordinary lead is immersed, it will quickly see it dissolve, literally eaten up by the acid. But what does the scouring rush do under such circumstances?

Immediately upon its introduction to the acid the sizzling process begins. The green pulp of the stem is gradually consumed, the tubes, however, still retaining the shape, becoming paler and paler in color until after a few hours the specimen is transformed into a pure white, alabaster-like column which defies any further attack by the acid.

On taking it from the vial and washing it carefully in running water, the operator holds in his hands a beautiful tube of pure, glassy flint, or silica, an object of great microscopic beauty of construction. The scouring rush is no longer a vegetable, but a mineral, and in observing its skeleton of stone the secret of its utility as a scouring brush is easily understood.

## DUTCH STREET CARS.

The Conductor Carries More Documents Than a Congressman.

Countries may be known by their street cars. The most interesting of our big cities are exemplified in the rapid transit of its inhabitants. So the character of orderly little Holland may be gathered from observation of its car service. Says J. U. Hignibusham in "Three Weeks in Holland and Belgium":

"Street car fare in Holland is 3 cents a trip, and for four cents you receive a return ticket. The conductor carries more documents than a congressman. For every fare he opens an aluminium box about 4 by 6 and hands out a receipt or a return ticket, as the case may be."

When the passengers pay their tickets he places the tickets in a leather pouch hanging by a strap round his neck. It is important that you retain the receipt given you for at uncertain intervals a "controller" gets on the car and examines all receipts, puts his mark on them and stamps and compares the result with the manifest or log carried by the conductor. It is quite the correct thing to tip the conductor with a few cents.

Each car has a card inside stating how many places there are, and on each platform is another saying how many people may stand there. When the signs "Voit" is put up and no more are permitted to get aboard. Our car probably had the most people on it and on the platform and was turning business away at every crossing.

Color. Of the light rays that fall upon an object some are taken up by the object and others are reflected. It is to the reflected rays that we are to turn for the explanation of color. For instance, a sheet of white paper is "white" because all the seven kinds of light are reflected from its surface, while the sundowner is "yellow" because when light falls on it the violet, indigo, blue and green rays are selected for absorption, and yellow principally is reflected. The reflective rays, received by the eye, produce the sensation of color. This is an explanation of nearly all the colors that exist.

Poison Hemlock. Water hemlock is a deadly plant common in most country neighborhoods. Its roots are eaten often in spring by mistake for the sound edible root. Cattle are often poisoned by drinking water in marshes where it grows. The poison hemlock from which the Greeks made poisons is a near relative to the water hemlock. It stands from two to seven feet high and has clusters of small white flowers and large, parsleylike leaves. The stalk, being hollow, is often made into whistles by country boys, and many children are poisoned in this fashion.

Handicapped. "What profession do you think our boy could had better adopted?" asked Mrs. Brown.

"I dunno," answered her husband. "Joe is rather handicapped by circumstances. The only profession we can usually adapt to is that of a capitalist, and I don't quite see where he's going to get the money."

A Tip. "Look as if you were feeling pretty good today, James," said the first waiter.

"Yes, tip-top," replied the other.

"Some streak o' luck maybe?"

"Yes, tip-top tip"—Kansas City Independent.

An Empty Farm. Little Willie Rupp, what does it signify when one woman kisses another? Pa—About as much as when one man in business calls another "old chap."—Raymond's Story.

It requires little exertion upon our part to bring misfortune upon our selves.—Messenger.

The Compass in Russia. Over a large area of central Russia the magnetic needle does not point north as usual. It is in one part deflected to the west and at another point to the east; and at one place it points due east and west.

Trivial. "Trivial" is derived from the Latin for three ways and means the petty gossip of the crossroads.

Waterpots. A waterpot is a constantly spinning. The moment it ceases it collapses. At the distance of about a quarter of a mile above the sea level its spinning speed has been estimated at six miles a minute.

West Virginia. West Virginia is twice as large as Massachusetts, twice as large as Maryland and as large as Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware, New Jersey and Vermont combined.

Dysentery corrodes the intestines and speeds away life along the lining, bringing about dangerous conditions that may cause death. Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial cleans the intestinal tract of the germs that cause the inflammation, and by protecting the lining from further invasion, these threats to healthy condition. Those subject to dysentery should not be without this simple yet powerful remedy.

Grief should be like joy—majestic, equable, sedate.—Aubrey de Vere.

The New York American of Dec. 18th, 1907, says the common house fly is one of the greatest enemies of man. It is a solemn, scientifically ascertained fact that he is one of the worst disseminators of disease known, far surpassing the mosquito in this respect. Wilson's Fly Pads will kill many times more flies than any other article.

Two colored sisters living in a suburban town on the street one day, and Sister Washington, who had recently joined the church, was describing her experience.

"Deed, Mrs. Johnson, I've joined Baptist church, but I couldn't do all de joining here, 'cause dey had to take me to de city church to baptize me. You know there ain't no pool-room in de church here."—Success.

DEAFNESS CAN BE CURED by the use of the new method of treatment. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous membrane of the middle ear. When this tube is inflamed you have a running sound or imperfect hearing, and when the inflammation is severe and the hearing is lost, the tube is closed. It is entirely closed, and when the hearing is lost, the tube is closed. It is entirely closed, and when the hearing is lost, the tube is closed.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for the first case of deafness cured by the use of the new method of treatment. Send for circulars from F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists. Take Hull's Family Pills for constipation.

"You have three pairs of glasses, professor."

"Yes; I use one to read with, one to see at a distance with, and the third to find the other two."—Christian World and Evangelist.

The final luxury of tea-drinking, the quality which distinguishes it as the world's best, is assured users of "Salada's Tea."

"Fellow-citizens," shouted the candidate, "I am elected for this district. I shall endeavor to make you glad that you did not elect another."

"That's right," yelled the dry goods box philosopher. "I reckon you will be a plenty."—Puck.

No dead flies lying about when Wilson's Fly Pads are used as directed.

Visitor—What is the meaning of all this celebration?

Native—Senator Bulwacker went north last winter to recuperate and has returned in perfect health.

Visitor—Nothing unusual in that, is there?

Native—Well, I guess. He's the only Democrat who ever gained strength in that section of the country.—Puck.

Minard's Liniment for sale everywhere.

Reassured. "G-g-good evening," said the young man, who had come to speak to the girl's father.

"Good evening," replied the old gentleman, to that I'm a little nervous. How do you feel?"

"Flattered," replied the young man. "I was afraid I looked scared to death."—Minneapolis Journal.

To Be Desired. How few can earn through years hard spent.

This simple, homely complement: "He is doing the fellow man a lot. His heart was big; his head was not."—Kansas City Times.

Fishing For an Heiress. There is only one thing that would ever tempt me to think of matrimony," said the specious nobleman as he tucked down his false bosom, "and that can be accomplished in four letters." "Ah, I-o-v-e!" interrogated his friend. "No; o-s-e-b."—Sart Res.

## Celluloid FREE Starch

Just send us your name and address on a post-card and we'll mail you a Celluloid Starch. That means fun for the children and satisfactory starching for you. Celluloid Starch requires no boiling, gives a perfect finish to the clothes and never makes the iron stick. Write to-day for this free book and sample.

The Brainerd Starch Works, Ltd.  
Brentford, Ontario, Canada.

Unselfish. She—George, is that one of those girls I gave you on your birthday? He—No, I'm saving those for my friends. She—You dear, self sacrificing unselfish man!

Inquiring Friend—You've given up booze? How did you ever sum up enough fortitude and self-denial to do that? Butger—I paid a high-priced doctor \$20 to tell me that booze was the matter with me, and that was his sole prescription. By George, I couldn't afford to take all that money—Chicago Tribune.

The Real Liver Pill. A torpid liver means a disordered system, mental depression, lassitude and in the end, if care be not taken, a chronic state of debility. The very best medicine to arouse the liver to healthy action is Farnell's Vegetable Pills. They are compounded of purely reliable substances of careful selection and no other pills have their fine qualities. They do not grip or pain and they are agreeable to the most sensitive stomach.

"Are you a benedict?"

"No; I'd like to join a lodge, but my wife objects."—Gleaner's Courier-Journal.

All Druggists, Grocers and general stores sell Wilson's Fly Pads.

Precise Aunt (trying to amuse Kate who has come to spend the day)—Oh, see pussy washing her face! Kate (with scorn)—She's not washing her face—she's washing her face and wiping 'em on her face.—Judge's Library.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff. "Hubby," said the observant wife, "the janitor of these flats is a backslider in our faith." "What of it?"

"I really think he is becoming interested in our oldest daughter." "There you go again with your pipe dreams! Last week it was a Duke."—Everybody's Magazine.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 11, 1903. Minard's Liniment Co. Limited.

Sirs—I came across a bottle of your MINARD'S LINIMENT in the hands of one of the students at the University of Maryland, and he being so kind as to let me use it for a very bad sprain, which I obtained in training for foot races, and to say that it helped me would be putting it very mildly. I therefore ask if you would let me know of one of your agents that is closest to Baltimore, so that I may obtain in advance I remain, Yours truly,

W. C. McCUEAN.  
14 St. Paul Street.  
Care Oliver Typewriter Co.  
P. S.—Kindly answer at once.

Flannel. Flannel will not harden or shrink if, when new, it is put into clean cold water and left for a week, changing the water frequently. Wash well in warm water, using a little soap to remove the oil. Flannel thus washed never hardens.

Bats. Bats were the only family of native mammals found on the thousands of small islands in the Pacific.

Demolished Buildings. Every year New York City throws into the junk heap enough buildings to equal the size of a city, or a population of 50,000. In the last ten years there have been torn down enough buildings to house 500,000 persons.

Oyster Growth. The oyster grows from the inside by its throwing out every year rings or circles of a calcareous substance, and experts can tell you where the growth begins and ends for the year.

Vinegar. A gallon of vinegar weighs more in winter than in summer, as the cold causes the fluid to contract.

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## OLD VILLAGE LOCKUP.

Quaint Structures For Confinement of Rogues and Vagabonds.

Several villages in the midlands possess in ruins or less ruined state their old parish lockups, commonly known as roundhouses.

Bredon, a Leicestershire village, close to the South Derbyshire border, possesses its "lockup," a quaint stone building eighteen feet high and eight feet six inches diameter inside. The walls are fifteen inches thick. The door is of stout oak, studded with many large iron nails.

The lock is very strong, and the keyhole is covered with an iron plate, which itself has to be unlocked by a spanner before the door key can be inserted. Ventilation is afforded by small holes punched in an iron plate, six inches by seven, fixed in the center of the door. There is no window.

At Worthington, the next village to Bredon, the old lockup is a seven sided brick building, badly in need of restoration, an opportunity for archaeologists which it is hoped will not be missed. Both at Bredon and Worthington these diminutive daisied prisons are on the roadside adjacent to the pond, or pinfold, so that the constable had conveniently side by side the strayed cattle and any human rogues or vagabonds in his charge. There are similar old lockups at Stanley and Ticknall, two villages close to Leicestershire.—Sheffield (England) Telegraph.

BLUSH IF YOU CAN. It is a Sign of an Active Brain. Declares a Scientist.

Sir Arthur Mitchell, K. C. B., of Edinburgh, who knows much that is strange about dreams, laughter and other things, has advanced a theory that blushing is an achievement of which every one who can blush should be proud.

He says it requires brains to blush. Idiots cannot blush; neither can animals. He says it requires brains to blush. Idiots cannot blush; neither can animals.

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## TOOKE SHIRTS

Do you ever find your cuffs a nuisance when working in your shirt sleeves? Aren't they continually bothering you and hampering the free movements of your hands? Some men use elastic bands to keep their cuffs up. But these are always unsatisfactory and uncomfortable. The "EZIAJUSTA" is the answer.

They're very convenient when working, rowing, playing tennis or golf, washing your hands, etc. Keep your cuffs up with the "EZIAJUSTA" and you'll find them a great help.

These "EZIAJUSTA" also prevent your cuffs from coming out and soiling quickly.

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### A REDUCED MAJORITY

**Conservatives Have Increased Representation—And Most of the Old Fighting Force—Investigation Will Be Still More Vigorously Prosecuted.**

Ottawa, Nov. 7.—With four deferred elections and several recounts to be heard from, the government majority in parliament seems to be 49, as against 66 in the last house. The Conservatives have carried Ontario and Manitoba; and if they win one of the British Columbia by-elections, will have a majority in that province also. They are three in seven in Alberta. They have already ten more members than they had in the last parliament, and it is likely to be eleven or twelve. Therefore, it may be supposed that the sturdy fight put up by the opposition in the last four years will not be abated. If some good campaigners are gone, there are able men among the new members, and the government also has met with serious losses.

#### Investigation Will Proceed.

There is reason to hope that the efforts of the "Dark Lantern" brigade, to suppress information, will be less effective than of yore. Johnston, Copp, Finlayson and Roche, of Nova Scotia; Hughes, of P. E. Island; McCarthy of Ontario; Burrows, Jackson and Adamson, of Manitoba; McPherson, of British Columbia, who were among the obstructors, are no longer in parliament. On the other hand, Foster, Monk, Ames, Barker, Haggart, Taylor, Sproule, Northrup, Reid, Crockett, Lennox, Perley, Blain, Boyce, Bristol, and others, who have pressed inquiries in the Public Accounts Committee, are prepared to resume business at the old stand.

#### Additional Advantages.

The work of investigation may be resumed under better conditions than before. Conditions revealed by the Royal Civil Service Commission, and by Judge Cassels, make it simply impossible for ministers to "keep down the lid." After these disclosures the country will not submit to suppression of facts, the refusal of public documents, and the exclusion of useful evidence. Light has already been poured on the marine department. It is only necessary that the other spending departments shall be overhauled in the same way. This thing will be done. Even the Liberal press has, since the election, called for enquiry into matters which have hitherto been kept dark.

#### The Timber Deals.

Before the election Sifton, Brother-in-law Burrows, Adamson and others connected with the timber deal, with their friends in the house, invited Mr. Ames to go with his lantern slides and his exposures to the West, where the facts were known and the dealers lived. Mr. Ames went East and West; he laid the facts and the evidence before the people. Some

things have happened. Mr. Ames is in parliament with an increased majority; Burrows is not there. Sifton is returned by an insignificant majority, if he is elected at all. Adamson retired from the election. Fraser, the agent at Ottawa of the "Big Four," was forced to withdraw after he had been nominated. Except Sifton himself not a single Manitoba member who justified these deals has been returned. Not one of the Western members of the last house who attacked these deals has lost his seat. Here is clearly a public invitation to continue the campaign in defence of the public interest in the public domain.

#### Not a Vote of Confidence.

It is not an independent French Canadian authority which makes the statement that the Laurier government has been sustained by the French-Canadian vote; and that this vote was cast for the Premier because of his race, and not on the merits of his government. The declaration is made by Le Nationaliste, of Montreal, which is not a Conservative paper, and which is certainly not anti-French. The organ of the National party shows that out of the government majority of about 50, no less than 43 is furnished by Quebec. It is pointed out that five of the Quebec counties which elected Conservatives have a large English vote, so that the majority in French speaking Quebec is larger than the above figures. Le Nationaliste adds that there are twelve Ontario constituencies having a large French vote, and that these all elected government supporters. This list includes, Ottawa, which returns two members, and also Nipissing and East Algoma, which as it now appears, have elected Conservatives, so that the score is eleven to two. The National organ gives a list of twelve counties in Maritime provinces having a considerable French vote, and shows that every one of them, but Digby, N. S., elected a government supporter.

Thus the French-Canadian paper makes it appear that the French-Canadian vote retains Sir Wilfrid Laurier in office. Had the vote been equally divided in these constituencies, defeat of the government was assured.

#### Personal Only.

No fair or patriotic Canadian would suggest that the French-speaking voters had not a perfect right to support the government individually or as a body if they deemed the administration worthy. Least of all would this view be taken by a journal which especially supports the rights and privileges of the French race. But Le Nationaliste declares that its compatriots did not support the government because they believed it worthy. It asserts that had the Premier been named Smith or Johnston, the French vote would have been about equally divided, and the government would have been defeated. The Premier himself appealed to his compatriots as one of themselves. His supporters went so far as to circulate with careful discrimination in the English provinces pamphlets hostile to the French race, and then throw the odium of it in Quebec on the Conservatives. This sort of campaign has, according to Le Nationaliste, "so fascinated the French

Canadians, that they have voted en bloc for Laurier, simply because he is a French-Canadian, without considering whether it was in the interest of the country as a whole."

Such is the testimony of a French-Canadian Liberal. If it is true, then the government record has not been endorsed by the Canadian electorate.

#### Financial Troubles.

Cabinet meetings in these times are anxious affairs. October returns show a decrease of \$613,558 in customs revenue compared with August, 1907. From April to November the customs shortage is now \$9,163,575. Intercolonial deficits are fully \$100,000 a month, and inland revenues are also decreasing. There is no doubt that the revenue for the full year will be \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000 less than that of last year.

The obvious conclusion from all this is that the expenditure must be cut down. But at that moment expenditures are piling up larger than ever, and ministers are called to make up their estimates for the coming session. Every minister has on his mind election promises made by himself and his friends. Mr. Fielding has promised as much as any of them. Yet Mr. Fielding is now obliged to issue an order to cut down the appropriations. The promises must be broken, and even then the bills will be \$20,000,000 larger than last year.

#### Many Warnings.

The manager of the Bank of Montreal has seriously laid the case before the Premier, who says that he will keep down expenses so far as possible. But Sir Wilfrid has no kind of idea how it is to be done. The one thing possible is to repudiate all the election promises and to cut down the estimates of next session to the smallest point. Then we shall see how Laurier finishes his work.

Meanwhile the recent Fielding loan does not appear to have been a success. It was mostly taken by large underwriters, as a matter of necessity, because investors did not bid for it.

#### Better Terms for the G. T. P.

The report that the Grand Trunk and G. T. Pacific companies are to ask for a new deal is evidently well based. In what form the relief may be required is not known, but the company is face to face with the fact that the eastern section will cost three times the amount first estimated by the government. If the Winnipeg-Moncton section costs \$150,000,000, the annual rental payable to the government will be nearly three times the sum expected when the cost was placed at \$53,000,000. Where is the additional \$3,000,000 a year to come from? No Canadian railway was running through a well settled country has a surplus large enough to pay the rental of \$2,500 per mile, and the Transcontinental must depend wholly upon through traffic. It is absolutely certain that traffic will not pay the rental. But the G. T. P. company has no other income, and the old Grand Trunk company will not put up the money. There is no one to fill the gap but the Canadian taxpayer.

It is useless to say that the company will be bound by the contract. It was bound by the contract of 1903, but broke it in 1904 and got a new one, adding many millions

to the government guarantee and giving up the government first mortgage on the railway.

If the company shall now demand a new deal, it has pulled enough to get it; especially when the company proves that a large part of the extra cost is due to rake-off by contractors, and by persons who have sold land and supplies to the government.

#### Five Per Cent Rake-Off.

On the first day's enquiry by Judge Cassels at Quebec, a large contractor testified that he paid five per cent commission to the local agent of the marine department on sales made to the government. J. J. Murphy received from the marine department in five years, ending in 1908, \$43,400. He paid the government agent in all \$3,303.98, which is considerably more than five per cent on the sales. The contractor admitted that he came out of the affair very well, as he sold to the government at something higher than retail prices. He also paid \$645 to the government yard foreman, who took delivery of the brick, cement, lumber and other supplies furnished by Murphy. W. R. Blakiston, sail maker, who receives about \$3,000 a year for services and supplies to the marine department, swore that he regularly paid five per cent commission to the government agents. So it would appear to be the custom of the port.

#### The Defence.

At Quebec, Senator Choquette, government campaign organizer for the district, appeared as counsel for the marine department agent, Gregory. He admitted the receipt of the commission, but contended that the agent paid the contractors money down, and waited sometimes thirty or more days for the government to send the cheque. The commission was simply an interest charge for money advanced. It is pointed out that banks would discount a claim on the government at the rate of six per cent a year, and therefore five per cent per month was rather high. An accepted claim on the government ought to be worth 95 cents on the dollar. Judge Cassels declared that the whole proceeding was inexcusable. But the Commissioner has long since got past being surprised at evidence of rake-off.

#### A Comparison.

Premier Whitney, speaking at St. John of some of these matters recalled the remark of Lord Clive, that when he remembered the opportunities he had of getting plunder in India, he was "surprised at his own moderation." That must be the feeling of the Quebec agent when he reads of the ten per cent rake-off at St. John on \$360,000 worth of dredging all in less than two years, by a middle-man who paid no money and made no advances.

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## Local and General.

P. E. 1. provincial election returns show big Conservative gains. At latest reports the Liberals claim four majority, while the Conservatives claim it is an even break. The last house stood 21 Liberals, 9 Conservatives.

We understand that a special effort is being put forth by the Methodists of Blackfalds to start the New Year free of debt. The concert and supper is announced for December 4th and will have many attractive features. The Anniversary services will be conducted morning and evening of the following Sunday by Rev. T. Powell chairman of Lacombe District and Rev. T. A. Bowen.

Eastern papers have published a despatch stating that Alberta provincial elections are to be held on December 15th. Premier Rutherford denies this and states positively that elections will not be held before another session of the legislature. It does not seem at all likely that elections will be called before February or March, as it is the well known intention of the Liberals to gerrymander the province before another election is held, and a session of the legislature is necessary in order to do this.

### Supreme Court Sittings at Red Deer.

Rex vs. Landon, Rex vs. Leech. These men were put on trial on a charge of horse stealing. Landon being the principal in the affair. Working together east of Stettler, they gathered in a bunch of nineteen horses which were recovered at Rocky Mountain House. Corporal Ennor of the R. N. W. M. P. has covered the country from Battleford to the Rocky mountains after these horses, and assisted by Sergeant Nicholson, finally succeeded in rounding them up. Landon has quite a reputation in the States where he has travelled under different aliases—Rider, James and Johnson, etc., has been in jail four times, and broke jail four times. The evidence was so conclusive that both pleaded guilty to all other counts against them. Landon got six years in penitentiary and Leech six months at Fort Saskatchewan—Advocate.

### Spring Valley.

Farmers are making preparations for winter.

There is still considerable threatening to do in this locality.

W. H. Wilkins is erecting a granary.

There are two cases of scarletina in the district contracted by disregarding quarantine regulations.

Miss Alice Rowe will teach Eclipse school the ensuing year.

Miss S. A. Rowe will continue to do business at the old stand.

C. Carter is firing for A. C. Davidson.

The telephone will probably be extended to Pleasant Valley next season and a number of phones installed at this point.

Mr. and Mrs. S. McMin have commenced house-keeping.

Ed. Andrews, J. Forrest and A. Fluke left Monday for the mountains where work is plentiful and pay is good.

### Births.

HANKS—At Lacombe, on Wednesday, October 31, to Mr. and Mrs. Percy R. Banks of Titchborne, a son.

MART—At Lacombe, on Friday November 13, to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Maud, a daughter.

CRAIG—At Lacombe, on Friday, November 13, to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Craig, a daughter.

### Death.

TYRWHITT—At Lacombe, on Wednesday night, November 18, William A., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Tyrwhitt, aged 4 months 10 days.

Funeral at 3 p.m. Friday, from the residence.

### TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

Council met in regular session Tuesday evening. Present: Mayor or Trimble, Councillors Vickerson, Murphy, Hoson, Kent and McDermid. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Dr. Sharpe, health officer, submitted report on contagious disease.

A communication was read from Geo. F. Kinneard, expert accountant, of Edmonton, offering his services to the town. Placed on file.

A communication was read from H. Bonde, asking for permission to use gravel from the town pit for sanitarium concrete work. After due discussion the council decided that as the town would eventually have use for all the gravel it would be unwise to dispose of any of it, and a resolution to that effect was passed. The matter of fencing the gravel pit and nuisance ground was discussed, but no action taken.

H. Patterson of Strathcona made application for position of chief of police.

A. B. Thoms applied for position of night watch.

Bills were presented amounting to about \$250. Referred to finance committee.

The matter of the Chapel death was brought up by the health committee's report in connection with the burial. On inquiry being made it was stated that Chapel had medical attendance.

The fire water and light committee reported that the contractor who undertook the job of filling the town tank excavation at the Merchants Bank corner had abandoned the job. The committee also reported the sale of pump at Methodist parsonage corner for \$12.

A bylaw was passed appointing T. Clark King returning officer and J. H. Rose deputy returning officer for the forthcoming town election.

The health committee reported that they are advised by the solicitor that the town has no power to abate prospective nuisance complained of by Mr. Roberts.

The mayor reported that Ed. Barnett has donated the north 33 feet of Greene avenue, which is to run from Nanton street to Edmonton trail, south of the new school building. Council passed a vote of thanks to Mr. Barnett.

Bylaw was passed appointing Leroy B. Miller constable for remainder of the year.

Councillor Murphy called attention to the prevailing laxness of enforcement of quarantine regulations in contagious diseases. He thought the protection of the public demanded that regulations be enforced. One councillor suggested it depended on a sick man's politics whether quarantine should be enforced in case of smallpox. While it was probably intended for a joke, yet observers are convinced that it is more than a joke.

Councillor Vickerson inquired why fire guards had not been plowed around the cemetery as ordered by the council several months ago. The plea of economy offered by the chairman of the police parks and cemetery committee did not seem to satisfy the rest of the council.

The constable reported \$42 poll tax collected, and asked for in-

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structions in obstinate cases. The council instructed him to collect by distress in such cases.

Councillor Vickerson moved resolution to go into committee of the whole to consider appointment of the supplementary estimate. Several committees were not ready for this so it was laid over till next session.

The Mayor gave notice that he would bring in a bylaw to amend the existing bylaw prohibiting voting by rate-payers who are in arrears. He proposes to exempt the current year from the action of the bylaw thus applying it only to those more than one year in arrears on taxes.

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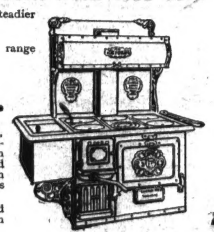
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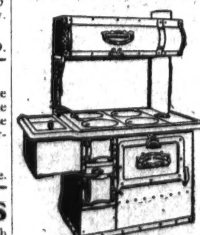
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